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**SECTION: CERTIFICATION** 

**SUBJECT:** Eligibility Requirement

**ITEM:** Women Anthropometric



**Policy** 

Participants determined eligible for program benefits based on an anthropometric risk shall meet one or more of the criteria listed below. Refer to WPM Section 230-10 for information regarding the priority ranks.

Basis for policy

7 CFR 246.7 (e)

Anthroometric criteria The table below indicates the anthropometric criteria to assess the nutritional needs of women. The priority levels are indicated for each category of women, and the Integrated Statewide Information System (ISIS) code number and corresponding United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) risk code is provided in the far left column for reference. Please see the "WIC Policy Memorandum 98-9, Revision 6, WIC Nutrition Risk Criteria" for more detail regarding the USDA risk codes.

RISK CONDITION/INDICATOR OF NUTRITIONAL NEED	PRIORITY FOR PREGNANT WOMEN	PRIORITY FOR BREAST- FEEDING WOMEN	PRIORITY FOR NON- BREASTFEEDING WOMEN
Underweight:			
<ul><li>Pregnant Women</li><li>pregravid Body Mass Index (BMI) &lt; 19.8</li></ul>	I	N/A	N/A
Underweight:			
Postpartum Women	N/A	I	VI
	CONDITION/INDICATOR OF NUTRITIONAL NEED  Underweight:  Pregnant Women  • pregravid Body Mass Index (BMI) < 19.8  Underweight:	CONDITION/INDICATOR OF NUTRITIONAL NEED PREGNANT WOMEN  Underweight:  Pregnant Women  I  pregravid Body Mass Index (BMI) < 19.8  Underweight:  Postpartum Women  N/A	CONDITION/INDICATOR OF NUTRITIONAL NEED  PREGNANT WOMEN  Underweight:  Pregnant Women  I N/A  • pregravid Body Mass Index (BMI) < 19.8  Underweight:  Postpartum Women  N/A  I

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A20	Overweight:			
(111)	Pregnant Women • pregravid Body Mass Index (BMI) > 26.0 to 29.0	I	N/A	N/A
A22	Overweight:			
(111)	<ul><li>Pregravid</li><li>Current</li></ul>	N/A N/A	I I	VI N/A
	Non-Breastfeeding and Breastfeeding Women < 6 Months Postpartum			
	<ul> <li>pregravid BMI ≥ 25.0 to 29.9</li> </ul>			
	Breastfeeding Women ≥ 6 months postpartum			
	• current BMI $\geq$ 25.0 to 29.9			
A21	Very overweight:			
(111)	Pregnant Women	I	N/A	N/A
	• pregravid Body Mass Index (BMI) > 29.0			

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A23	Very overweight:			
(111)	<ul> <li>Pregravid</li> <li>Current</li> <li>Non-Breastfeeding and Breastfeeding Women &lt; 6 Months Postpartum</li> <li>Pregravid BMI ≥ 30</li> <li>Breastfeeding Women ≥ 6 months postpartum</li> <li>Current BMI ≥ 30</li> </ul>	N/A N/A	I I	VI N/A

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A40 (131, 132)	<ul> <li>Inadequate Weight Gain/Weight Loss:</li> <li>1. A low rate of weight gain, such that (in the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester, singleton pregnancies):</li> <li>Underweight women gain &lt; 4 pounds per month</li> <li>Normal/overweight women gain &lt; 2 pounds per month</li> <li>obese women gain &lt; 1 pound per month</li> <li>Low weight gain at any point in pregnancy using IOM based weight gain grid.</li> <li>3. Weight loss:</li> <li>any weight loss ≥ 4 lbs. during the 1<sup>st</sup> trimester</li> <li>≥ 2 lbs. in 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> trimesters</li> </ul>	I	N/A	N/A
(132)	<ul> <li>Inadequate Weight         Gain/Moderate Weight Loss:         In 1<sup>st</sup> trimester:         <ul> <li>inadequate weight gain or</li> </ul> </li> <li>moderate weight loss of &lt; 4 lbs.</li> </ul>	I	N/A	N/A

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A46 (133)	High Maternal Weight Gain Total (most recent singleton pregnancy only):	N/A	I	VI
	• underweight = BMI < 19.8: > 40 lbs.			
	• normal weight = BMI 19.8 to 26: > 35 lbs.			
	• overweight = BMI > 26 to 29: > 25 lbs.			
	• obese = $BMI > 29$ : > 15 lbs.			
A47	High Maternal Weight Gain Rate:	I	N/A	N/A
(133)	> 6.6 to 8.0 lb. per month in pregnancy, all trimesters, all weight groups (current pregnancy)			
A48	Very High Maternal Weight Gain Rate:	I	N/A	N/A
(133)	> 8.0 lb. per month (current pregnancy) (exception multiple pregnancies)			

See WIC Appendix 970-70 for BMI chart.

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